# **Windsor Police Department**



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2015 was a very work intensive year for the officers of the Windsor Police Department. Despite many challenges our dedicated officers were able to achieve success. In 2015 WPD responded to 1,061 calls for service from the citizens while also completing 16,545 self-initiated calls. Total calls for service increased from 15,860 calls in 2014 to 17,621 calls in 2015. WPD continues to be proactive in the enforcement of criminal laws and made 69 felony arrests and 137 misdemeanor arrests during 2015. WPD's zero tolerance enforcement for Driving under the Influence resulted in 18 arrests for DUI related offenses in 2015. Traffic enforcement and safety remains a primary focus for WPD Officers, as officers responded to 131 reported motor vehicle collisions. WPD Officers conducted 3,188 traffic stops and issued 2,353 traffic/criminal summonses as result of these stops.

Throughout the course of 2015 WPD investigated a number of major cases. In May of 2015 officers initiated a traffic stop for speeding and driving under the influence. During the course of the investigation officers recovered a significant amount of heroin and cocaine that was to be delivered for distribution along with a firearm. The suspect in this case was a violent career criminal with a long record of felony offenses. This case was adopted by the FBI Safe Streets Task Force for federal prosecution and the suspect then plead guilty in federal court and was subsequently sentenced to ten years. Another case of interest began in August 2015 when investigators were alerted to the possibility of improper sexual relationship between an adult male and a juvenile resident. An investigation was opened and it was discovered that the suspect was a convicted sex offender living in North Carolina who had transported the victim across state lines on multiple occasions for sexual exploitation. WPD investigators along with investigators from the Roanoke Rapids Police Department, NC Department of Probation and Parole and Special Agents from the FBI began amassing evidence in the case. When confronted with the overwhelming evidence the suspect confessed and was arrested. This matter was also referred for federal prosecution and the suspect plead guilty and was sentenced to 30 years in prison. These major cases highlight just some the outstanding work done by WPD officers on a daily basis to make Windsor a safer community.

2015 was also a year of change for the department with promotions, training, technology, and policy changes. In July, 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant R.D. Riddle was promoted to Chief of Police after serving 18 months as Interim Chief. In August, Detective Sergeant G.P. Jernigan was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and Officer R.B. Swann was promoted to Detective. In October Officer C.J. Griffin was hired and WPD was at full strength for the first time in 22 months. WPD reached a milestone in the area of training in 2015. All full time WPD Officers successfully completed Crisis Intervention Training through the Western Tidewater Community Services Board. CIT officers are now able to recognize the signs of mentally ill persons in crisis and





diffuse the situation while ensuring the community member receives the necessary medical treatment. WPD Officers also successfully completed Active Shooter Threat Training at the

Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Charleston, S.C. This training ensures that WPD Officers are prepared to respond to and deal with any active shooter situation within our community. Body Worn Cameras were authorized for purchase in July 2015. BWC related policy was drafted and developed; the BWC program was implemented and deployed in August 2015. The cameras have proven to be an effective tool for our officers, reducing complaints and providing critical evidence for the prosecution of criminal cases. A review of all WPD policies was conducted and major updates were made to WPD policies regarding Firearms, Use of Force, Arrest Procedures, TASER Deployment, Prisoner Processing, Evidence Handling & Storage, Body Worn Cameras, and Vehicle Pursuits.

WPD Officers are honored and humbled by the opportunity to serve our citizens on a daily basis. As we move forward into 2016 we promise to continue to work diligently on your behalf; to make the Town of Windsor a safe place to work, live and play.

Respectfully,

Rodney D. Riddle

Chief of Police





# **Mission Statement**

The Windsor Police Department is a value driven organization committed to excellence and will partner with the community to make the Town of Windsor a better place in which to live, learn, visit and conduct business.

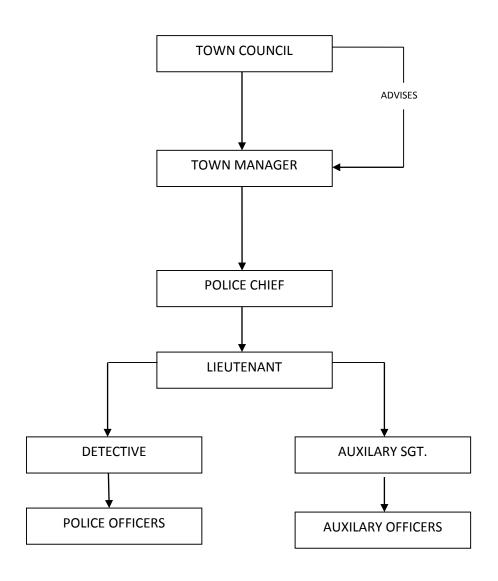
## **Core Values**

Honor, Integrity, Courage and Commitment





## **Organizational Chart**







#### **WPD Full Time Staff**

R.D. Riddle - Chief of Police

**Lieutenant G.P. Jernigan- Operations** 

**Detective R.B. Swan - Investigations** 

Master Police Officer W.D. Owens Jr. - Patrol

Police Officer J.L. Harris - Patrol

Police Officer C.J. Griffin – Patrol

## WPD Auxiliary Staff

Officer J.R. Gutierrez

Officer D.C. Bateman

Officer J.D. Turner

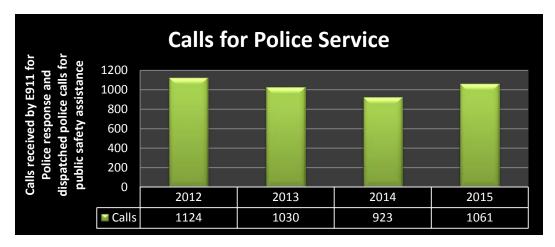
Officer K.E. Givens

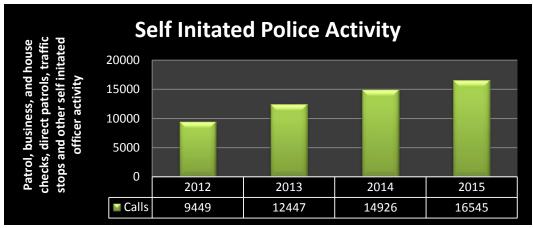


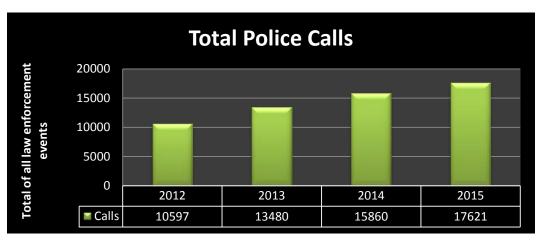


### **Department Statistics**

In 2015 the agency saw a slight increase in calls for service by 13% and self-initiated calls for service were up by 10%.



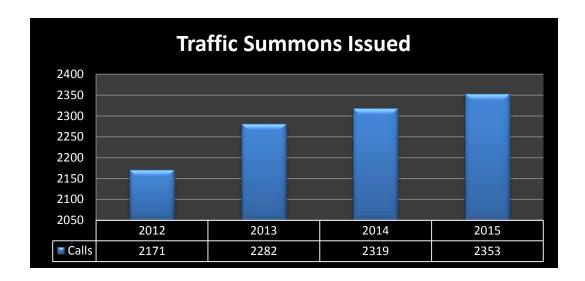


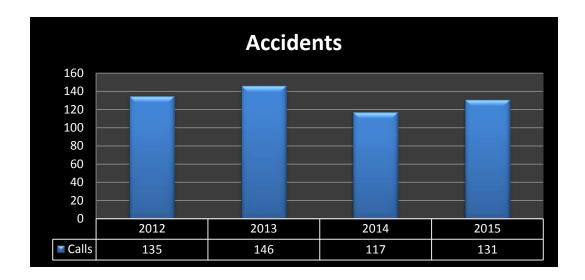






In 2015 traffic summonses were up 2% while the number of reported motor vehicle accidents increased by 11%.

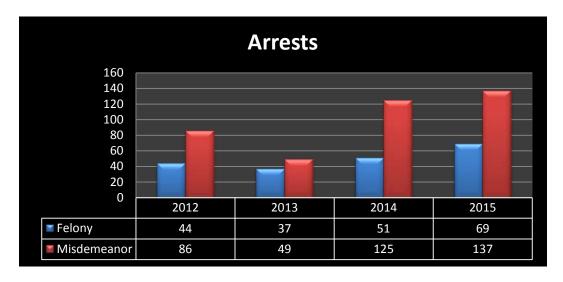








In 2015 Felony arrests were up 16% and Misdemeanor arrests increased by 9%.





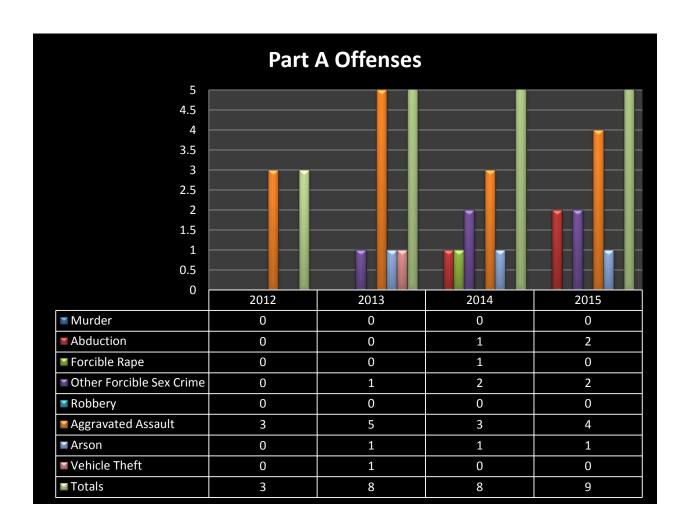






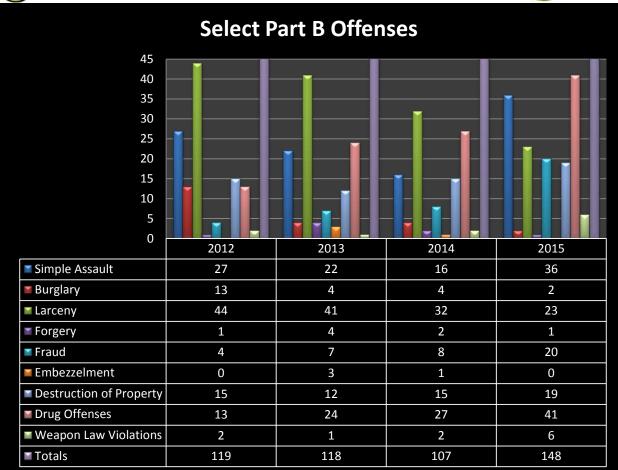
## **Incident Based Reporting Data**

This data includes major criminal offenses reported to the Windsor Police Department during the past year and uses data since 2012 for comparison. This synopsis is part of our IBR report that is provided to the Virginia State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Both Select Part A and Select Part B are referred to as "Group A" offenses. It should be noted however; that these criminal offenses do not include all incidents' reported to the WPD. Offenses such as disorderly conduct, DUI, trespassing and drunkenness are not included in this report. These incidents are "group B" offenses and make up a large portion of reports and arrests made by the Windsor Police Department.















### **Training 2015**

During 2015 members of the Windsor Police Department completed all mandated VADCJS in-service training in addition officers completed the following training:

FBI & DOJ Federal Civil Rights & 21st Century Policing

Radar

Lidar Recertification

**General Instructor** 

**Active Shooter Threat Training** 

Intox EC\IR II Recertification

**Crisis Intervention Team** 

Lidar Basic Certification

Reid Interview and Interrogation

Reid Advanced Interview and Interrogation

Intox EC\IR II Basic Operation Class

**Patrol Rifle Operations** 





#### **Community Relations**

The Windsor Police Department has continued to maintain a positive relationship with our citizens through personal interactions. The Windsor Police Department participated in/or sponsored the following community events:

#### 11th Annual WPD Toy Drive

This marks the 11<sup>th</sup> year of the Windsor Police Department Toy Drive to support local families in need at the holidays. This year WPD partnered with Community Harvest Outreach and IOW Social Services. WPD donated 10 bicycles and 8 large boxes of toys to Community Harvest Outreach. Detective Swann volunteered and assisted in the distribution of the toys during the Lots of Toys for Tots event. WPD adopted and provided toys, bicycles and clothing to 8 families through the Isle Of Wight Social Services referrals WPD would like to thank the many generous business sponsors and individuals throughout the community who make this annual event possible.







#### **National Night Out**

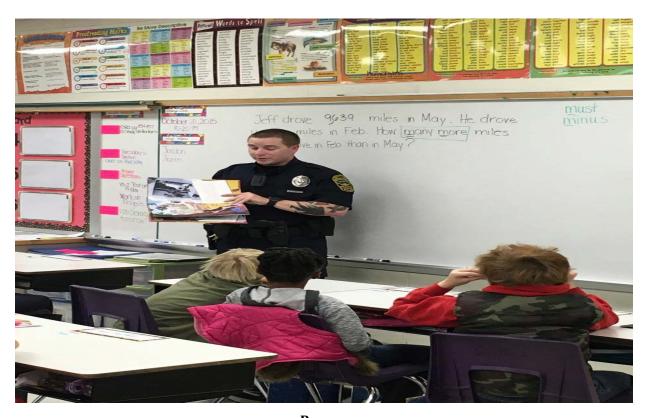
The Windsor Police Department, along with the Isle of Wight Sheriff's Office, hosted the 2nd Annual National Night Out Event at the Windsor Police Department. The event featured free food, drinks, children's activities, law enforcement displays and crime prevention information. National Night Out provides members of the community an opportunity to interact with local law enforcement officers to receive information on crime prevention and meet neighbors and friends. Strengthening our relationship with community and providing opportunities for neighbors to interact together while preventing criminal activity helps send a message to criminals that we will not tolerate crime in our community.



#### **Youth Outreach Activities**

Throughout 2015 WPD Officers sought to spend time interacting with the youth in our community. Officers assisted the Windsor Baptist Learning Center with its annual St. Jude Trike-a-thon Fundraiser. WPD Officers provided bike safety tips and the children were able to check out a police car. WPD Officers participated in Read Aloud to a Child Week at Windsor Elementary School. Chief Riddle, Lt. Jernigan and Officer Griffin spent time reading aloud to several Fourth Grade classes. The local Cub Scout pack stopped by the police department for a tour of the facility and opportunity to talk with officers about the jobs that they do. Several local day cares brought their children to the police department for a tour of the building and an opportunity to check out a patrol car. WPD Officers participated in the career fair at Windsor High School providing students with information on careers in law enforcement. Auxiliary Officer J.D Turner served as the WHS Assistant Coach for both the Varsity and J.V. football teams guiding and mentoring our student athletes.





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#### **Grants**

The Windsor Police Department actively researches grant opportunities annually and applies for law enforcement assistance grants. Grants can be obtained from a wide variety of state and federal agencies for equipment and personnel. In 2015 the Windsor Police Department accepted the following grants:

#### **Highway Safety Grant**

The Windsor Police Department received grant funding from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles Highway Safety office in the amount of \$11,800. The grant funding provided overtime pay for selective enforcement of speeding, the purchase of a new RADAR unit and the *Click or Ticket* campaign to increase seat belt usage. The Town of Windsor has a seatbelt usage rate of 92% which is well above the Virginia average of 74%.

